HOW IS IT?
THE GLASSES
I'm trying them out
COME AGAIN?
AH...
REALLY?
IT FITS YOU QUITE WELL

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THEY SAY THAT A GLASSES CAN MAKETH A MAN...

BUT STILL, IT IS AN HONEST SHAME THAT IT HIDES THE FULL FEATURES OF ONE'S FACE.

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YEP, YEP...

OH

KIRISHIMA-SENPAI, HAVE YOU HAD A CHANCE TO LOOK OVER THE CLUB BUDGET REQUEST?

HOWEVER...

THANK YOU

If it's by you, I'm sure it's all in order

O-K~

YOUR NEW KIND HEARTED NATURE IS SO WONDERFUL AS WELL~

Huh?!

I THOUGHT YOUR "TSUNTSUN" NATURE WAS QUITE COOL, BUT...

Please focus on your work!

female secretary

He's at it again...

treasurer

...

male secretary

no response

jaded look...

I FEEL LIKE YOU'VE SOMEHOW CHANGED RECENTLY, HIWAKO...

HOW ABOUT IT?

BY THE WAY, ABOUT "THAT"

OH, DON'T GET ME WRONG, I THINK MIZUHO IS VERY CUTE AS WELL!

AH... ABOUT THAT...

YOUR UNIFORM! COME ON~

HUH?

...THANK YOU...

I THINK THIS IS THE MORE FEASIBLE REQUEST

LET'S SEE. THE MOST COMMON REQUEST IS TO EASE UP ON BACKPACK REGULATIONS

WHAA AAT!!

BUT IT'S NOT LIKE ANYONE FOLLOWED THE RULES ANYWAYS

THIS IS A PROB-LEM!

HEY, WAIT A MIN-UTE!!

I BELIEVE WE'VE ALREADY DISCUSSED THIS

I HAVE NO INTENTIONS OF CHANGING MY UNIFORM

BUT BY THEN, I'D HAVE GRAD-UATED...

...MAYBE NEXT YEAR...

Says the guy wearing a regulatory uniform...

IT IS AN INJUSTICE THAT THE GIRLS DO NOT WEAR A CUTER UNIFORM!!

ARE WE REALLY CONTENT TO SPEND OUR ONCE AND ONLY HIGH SCHOOL LIVES WITH MERE REGULATORY UNIFORMS?!

sigh~

AH... AT THIS RATE, MY TENURE AS THE STUDENT COUNCIL PRESIDENT IS FOR NAUGHT...

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Why'd he even come to this school...

But I actually like sailor uniforms...

RIGHT...

I'M SORRY, BUT MY RIDE IS WAITING FOR ME

SEE YOU NEXT WEEK

WELL THEN, I'LL TAKE MY LEAVE FOR TODAY

LET'S GO TOGE-THER!

WAIT, HIWAKO

PHEW, FINALLY DONE...

YES

HUH? ARE YOU GOING HOME?

Ok, let's make ourselves scarce

But why!?

HIWAKO~~

MOTHER

I'M HOME

WELCOME BACK, HIWAKO-SAN

WHAT IS IT?

MOTHER...

IS THAT SO...

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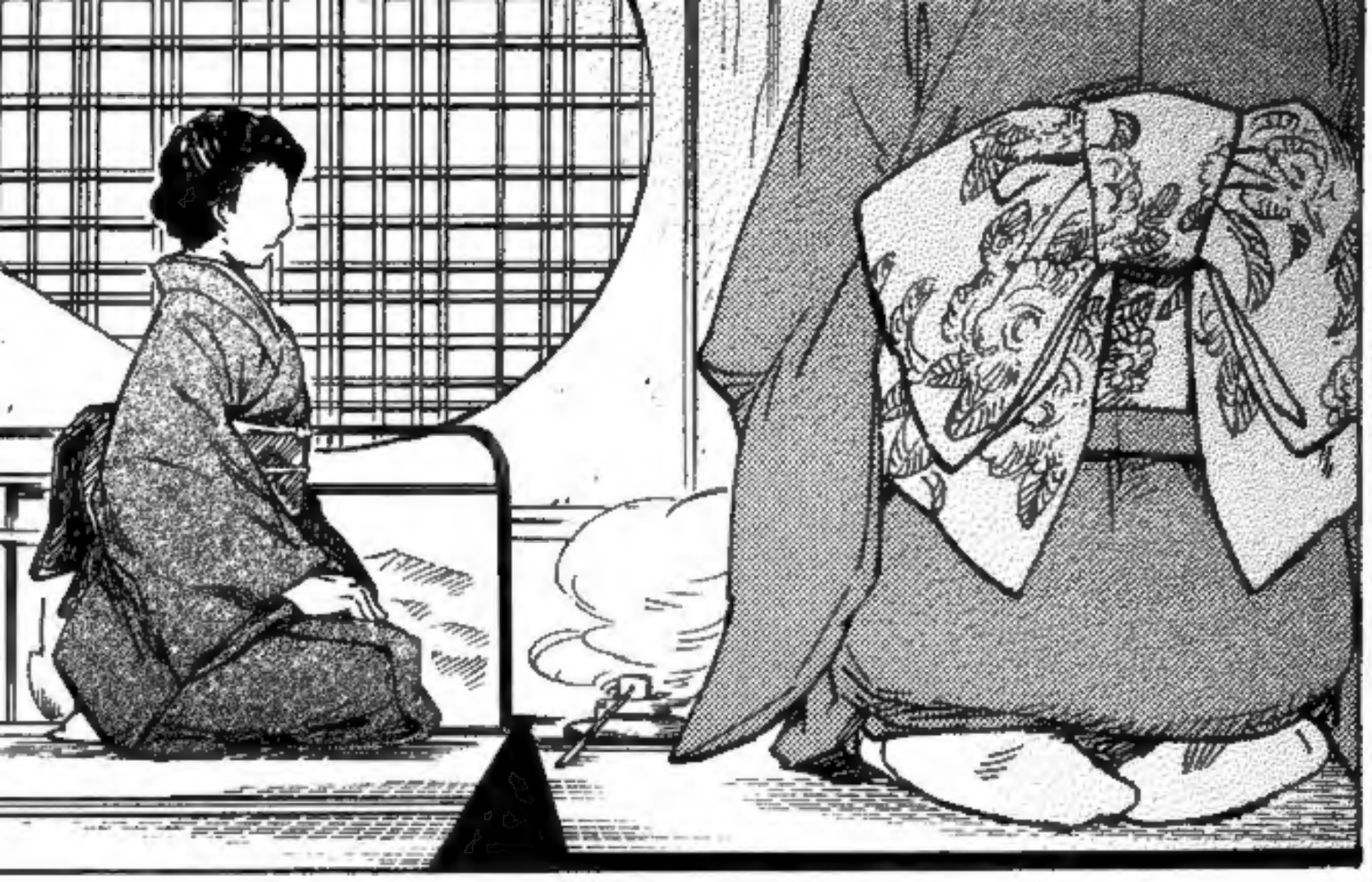
HIS FOREIGN INSPECTION WAS EXTENDED, SO HE WON'T BE RETURNING THIS WEEK

ABOUT FATHER...



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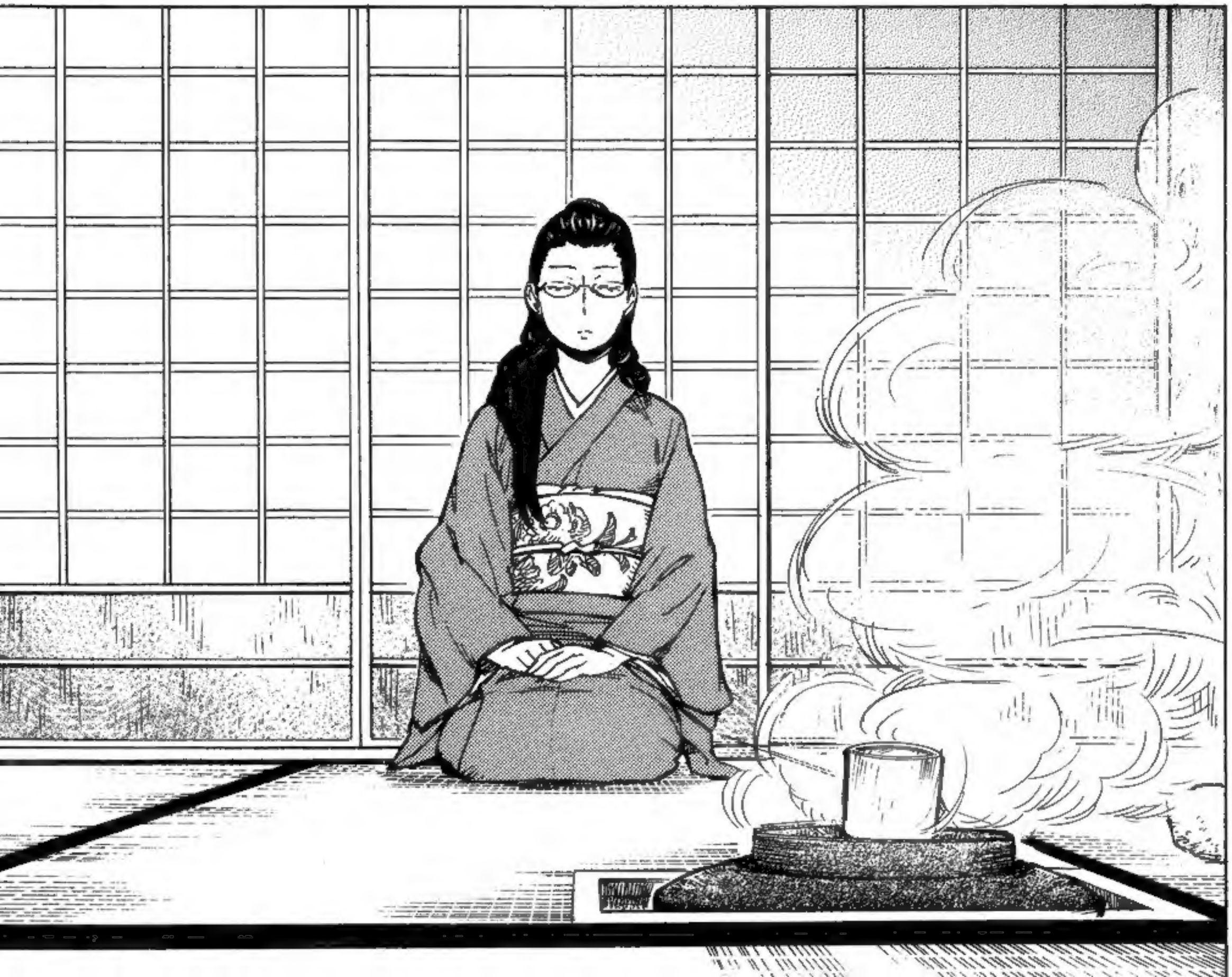

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IS SOMETHING THE MATTER?

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WELL, IT'S JUST...

HUH?

BUT YOU SEEM A BIT DOWN TODAY...

LATELY, YOU'VE BEEN GETTING ALONG SO WELL WITH YOUR FRIENDS

AND YOU SEEM SO MUCH HAPPIER WHEN I SEE YOU AT SCHOOL

IT'S UNLIKE YOU...

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THAT'S QUITE PERCEP-TIVE...

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SO I WAS WONDERING WHAT THE REASON MIGHT BE...

IT'S NOTHING...

AH...

MOTHER TOLD ME THAT HIS FOREIGN INSPECTION WAS EXTENDED, BUT...

YES, I WAS ALSO TOLD THE SAME

I WAS WONDERING HOW HE WAS DOING...

I JUST HAVEN'T SEEN FATHER IN A WHILE, SO..

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HE CARES ABOUT YOU, THAT'S WHY HE HAS ME CHAUFFEUR HIS DAUGHTER TO AND FROM SCHOOL

IT MIGHT NOT SEEM LIKE IT, BUT YOUR FATHER WORRIES ABOUT YOU IN HIS OWN WAY

HE GETS A WATCHDOG TO DO IT...

BECAUSE HE'S NOT THERE TO WATCH HIS OWN DAUGHTER...

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HUH?

UM...

YOSHIZUMI-SAN...

YES...

AH!

I'M SO SORRY!

MOTHER WANTED ME TO ACCLIMATE TO NORMAL SOCIETY, SO SHE DECIDED TO SEND ME TO A LOCAL HIGH SCHOOL...

BUT EVEN SO, IT'S NOT SOMETHING THAT SOMEONE LIKE A SECRETARY SHOULD BE BURDENED WITH EVERYDAY...

NO, THAT'S NOT TRUE AT ALL!

EVEN THOUGH YOU MUST BE SO BUSY...

AND ON TOP OF THAT, YOU'RE STUCK LISTENING TO A TEENAGER'S PROBLEMS...

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Besides, regardless of where you end up going to school, your father would prefer having me chauffeur his daughter

BUT THE SCHOOL ISN'T TOO FAR FOR BIKING, AND NORMALLY, STUDENTS WOULD DO JUST THAT...

Not to mention, I'm the most junior secretary he has...

IT'S NOTHING TO WORRY ABOUT! YOUR FATHER HAS PLENTY OF OTHER HELPERS...

I CONSIDER THIS A PART OF MY JOB!

TO BE HONEST, IT'S NOT LIKE I'VE RIDDEN A BIKE BEFORE EITHER...

AH, NO WAIT

YOUR JOB?...

I'M SORRY

YOU DON'T HAVE TO BE RESERVED

I'M BEING UNFAIR, ARENT I?

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HOW DO I SAY THIS...

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UH...

Anything?!

That's...

ahaha

SAY! TELL ME SOME STORIES ABOUT MY FATHER!

ANYTHING IS FINE, SO TELL ME!

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YES

A SECRET!

BY THE WAY

IF YOU HAVE ANOTHER STUDY SESSION, PLEASE LET ME KNOW

CONCERNING YOUR PARENTS, I'LL CONTINUE TO KEEP IT...

CAN I OPEN THE WINDOWS?

GO AHEAD

HMM, 4:30...

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THAT BEING SAID, I NEVER SAW THAT SIDE OF HER...

SHE WAS SO FRANK AND OPEN WITH HER WORDS...

SHE'S LATE...

I THOUGHT SHE SAID THAT THERE'S NO STUDENT COUNCIL MEETING TODAY, SO SHE'D BE OUT BY 4...

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SHE IS MY DAUGHTER

JUST LIKE A DOLL...

MY NAME IS HIWAKO, NICE TO MEET YOU

LET ME INTRO-DUCE YOU

LATELY, SHE'S BEEN SO MUCH MORE CHEER-FUL AND HAPPY...

I wonder if it's thanks to her friends

WHEN I FIRST MET HER 4 YEARS AGO, SHE WAS MORE LIKE...

OR RATHER, IT'S MORE LIKE SHE'S A COMPLETELY DIFFERENT PERSON

...

HE'S GOING TO BE TAKING CARE OF YOU FROM NOW ON

HIWAKO, THIS IS YOSHIZUMI-KUN, HE'S MY NEW SECRETARY

YOSHI-ZUMI...

SAN...

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I KNOW YOU'RE BUSY, BUT

MY DAUGHTER WILL NEED HELP GETTING TO HER SCHOOL

ALSO, I WANT REPORTS FROM YOU EVERY DAY

YOSHI-ZUMI

How blunt...

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She's 10 years younger!

W-WHAT AM I THINKING?! SHE'S STILL A HIGH SCHOOL STUDENT!

AND MORE-OVER, SHE IS SENSEI'S DAUGH-TER!

...BUT STILL...

SHE'S GOTTEN SO PRETTY OVER THE YEARS...

I NEED A SMOKE...

AHHH...

SHE REALLY IS RUNNING LATE...

MAYBE I SHOULD GIVE HER A CALL...

KNOCK KNOCK

Actually, I'll just text her

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...HUH?

YES?!

Is she here?!

WHO ARE...

HIWAKO'S CHAUFFEUR -SAN

GOOD DAY TO YOU

SO, ABOUT HIWAKO

RIGHT...

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IT'S KIRISHIMA SEISHIROU

ARE YOU THE STUDENT COUNCIL PRESI-DENT, BY CHANCE?

SHE'S GOING HOME WITH ME TODAY

SO YOU SHOULD GO AHEAD AND LEAVE

WHAT ABOUT HER?!

That number there

IS THAT HIWAKO'S NUMBER?

OH

DON'T WORRY, I'LL GET HER HOME SAFE!

HUH?!

NO NO NO NO! WHAT'S WITH YOU?!

COME ON, WHAT'S THE BIG DEAL, JUST GIVE IT TO ME!

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What's going on?

Ah, it's Kirishima-senpai

I'VE ASKED HER SO MANY TIMES, BUT SHE WON'T GIVE IT TO ME~

TELL ME HER NUMBER!

HEY!

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O-oh no! What do I do?!

All my contact information!

AHHHH

WHAT DO YOU THINK YOU'RE DOING! THERE'S NO WAY I'D GIVE HER NUMBER TO SOMEONE LIKE YOU!

BESIDES, WHAT ARE YOU TO HIWAKO-SAMA ANYWAYS?!

OH COME ON~

WHAT ARE YOU, HER DAD?

AHHHH~ ALL BECAUSE YOU WERE BEING DIFFICULT

HER PARENTS ENTRUSTED ME WITH CARING FOR HER! OF COURSE I'M GOING TO BE SKEPTICAL OF GUYS LIKE YOU!

HAH HAHA

YOU'RE TREATING ME AS IF I'M A CRIMINAL!

IKA IKA IKA...

YOSHI-ZUMI-SAN!!

THINK ABOUT IT! TALK TO HER PARENTS ABOUT IT!

DON'T YOU THINK IT'S APPROPRIATE FOR HER TO HANG OUT WITH KIDS HER AGE?

Maybe he's right...

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SHE'S ALREADY A HIGH SCHOOL STUDENT, YOU KNOW

SHE'S A CUTE GIRL, IT'S NOT LIKE SHE'S GOING TO BE A KID FOREVER

...

HE'S TOO BUSY, SO HE SICKS A WATCHDOG ON ME...

MY FRIEND, SHE...

I'M SORRY, BUT

OW OW OW...

AH, HIWAKO...

THE NURSE WASN'T THERE, SO...

WE'VE GOT TO GO TO A HOSPITAL!

ARE YOU ALRIGHT, KOZUE -CHAN?!

Yeah~

I'M THE STUDENT HEALTH-CARE REP AFTER ALL

I'LL GO TOO!

Owie...

AH, KIRISHIMA SENPAI, I'LL SEE YOU TO-MORROW!

UH, HIWAKO...

LET'S GO!

Eh

Wait

VRRS

Aahh

YES!

HURRY!

神東中央病院

THANK GOODNESS IT WASN'T A BIG PROBLEM...

SOMEONE'S COMING TO PICK ME UP, SO I'M ALL SET

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SORRY ABOUT CAUSING A FUSS~

THEY SAID I WAS JUST CONSTI-PATED~

I wonder if its from stress~

SAEKI-SAN, WOULD YOU LIKE A RIDE BACK?

REALLY?

HUH? WHAT HAPPEN-ED?

AH, I MEAN

IT'S NOTHING! REALLY!

NO, IT'S NOT A PROBLEM, WE HAD AN EMERGENCY AFTER ALL

I'M SORRY, HAVING YOU GO THROUGH ALL THIS TROUBLE... I'LL LET MOTHER KNOW...

MORE IMPOR-TANTLY, MY PHONE...

AH HA HA HA

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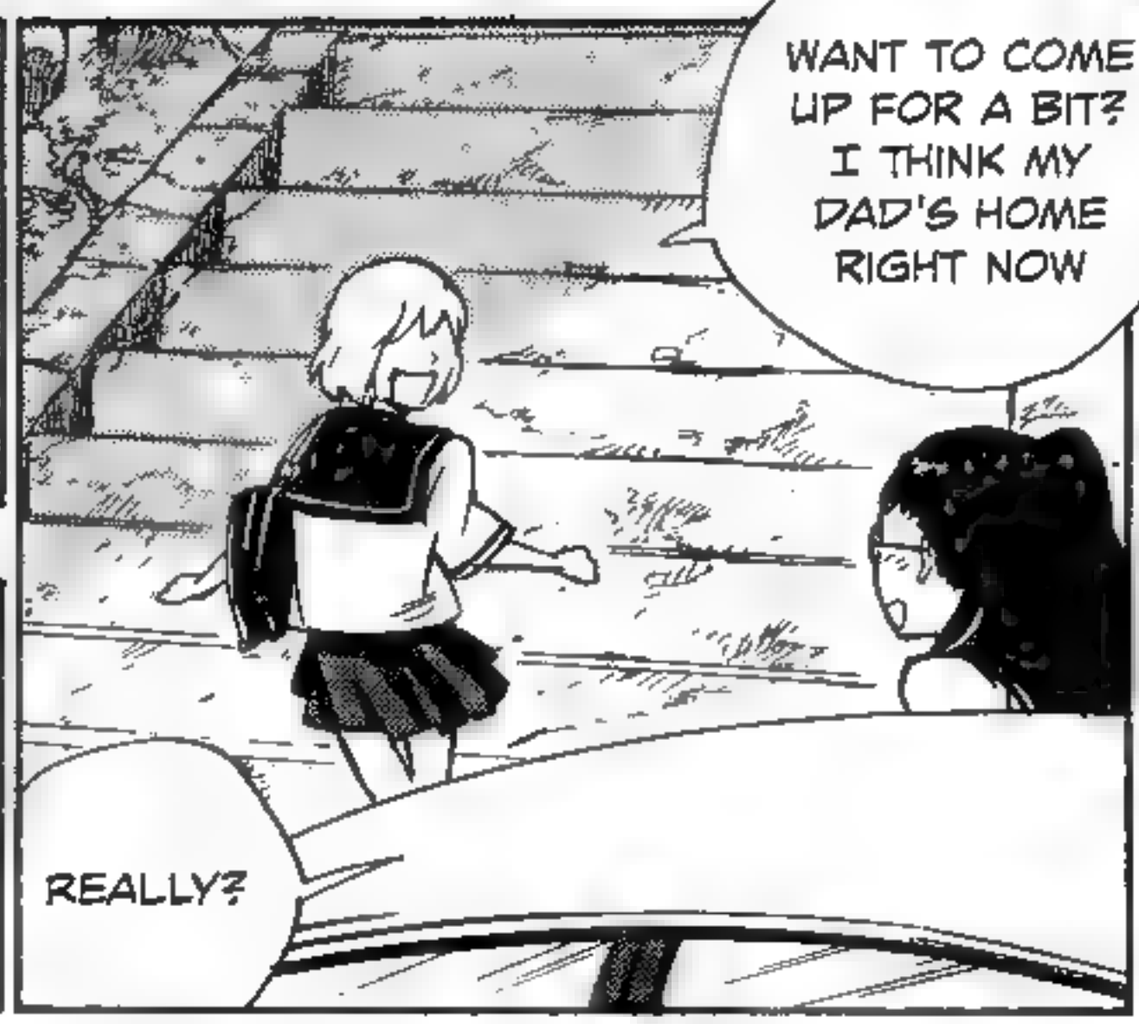
We're not in a hurry
It's fine


WANT TO COME UP FOR A BIT? I THINK MY DAD'S HOME RIGHT NOW
REALLY?

AH
Is that alright?
WELL, I SUP-POSE...

YOSHIZUMI -SAN, YOU SHOULD COME TOO!
THAT'S RIGHT, PLEASE COME!

CARS DON'T REALLY COME UP HERE ANYWAYS!
IT'S FINE
IS IT ALRIGHT TO LEAVE THE CAR PARKED HERE?

I'm home~

YOSHIZUMI -SAN, DO YOU KNOW THE PROPER MANNERS FOR PRAYING?

WOW... I DIDN'T THINK ABOUT IT BEFORE, BUT

I THINK THIS IS MY FIRST TIME COMING UP HERE

Dad~

HERE, LET ME SHOW YOU, I JUST LEARNED RECENTLY MYSELF

NO, I DON'T...

Like this...

That girl's here again.

SINCE WE'RE HERE, WHY DON'T WE PRAY FOR SOMETHING

PERHAPS SOMETHING FOR SENSEI'S WORK...

SOME-THING FOR MYSELF, HUH...

I... I WONDER IF HIWAKO-SAMA FINDS HER LIFE STIFLING...

MAYBE ...

OH, YOSHIZUMI -SAN

YOU CAN PRAY FOR YOUR OWN SAKE

IS THAT SO?

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I ACTUALLY KNOW THE ETIQUETTE FOR THIS PART. BOW TWICE, AND CLAP... LIKE THIS...

I DON'T WANT TO BOTHER THEM...

WHAT'S WITH YOU, STUPID GIN!

LET ME SHOW YOU SOME-THING

DID YOU KNOW THAT?

I DIDN'T KNOW UNTIL JUST RECENTLY =FUFU=

I SEE

I GOT IT...

WHEN YOU PUT YOUR HANDS TOGETHER, YOU KEEP YOUR RIGHT HAND SLIGHTLY OFF

AND WHEN YOU PRAY

YOU LINE IT BACK UP...

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SHE'S

SENSEI'S DAUGHTER

I PRAY

TO NEVER...

FALL IN LOVE WITH HER!

FUNABASHI -SAN

What were you guys doing?

I'M SORRY, IT LOOKS LIKE MY DAD ISN'T HOME...

IS THAT SO... WE'LL BE HEADING OUT THEN

I'M REALLY SORRY~ WONDER WHERE HE WENT

...

AH, SAEKI-SAN, DO YOU HAVE A CHARM FOR SAFE TRAVELS?

For safe driving

PLEASE, MY RE-GARDS

HERE!

AH...

THANK YOU VERY MUCH...

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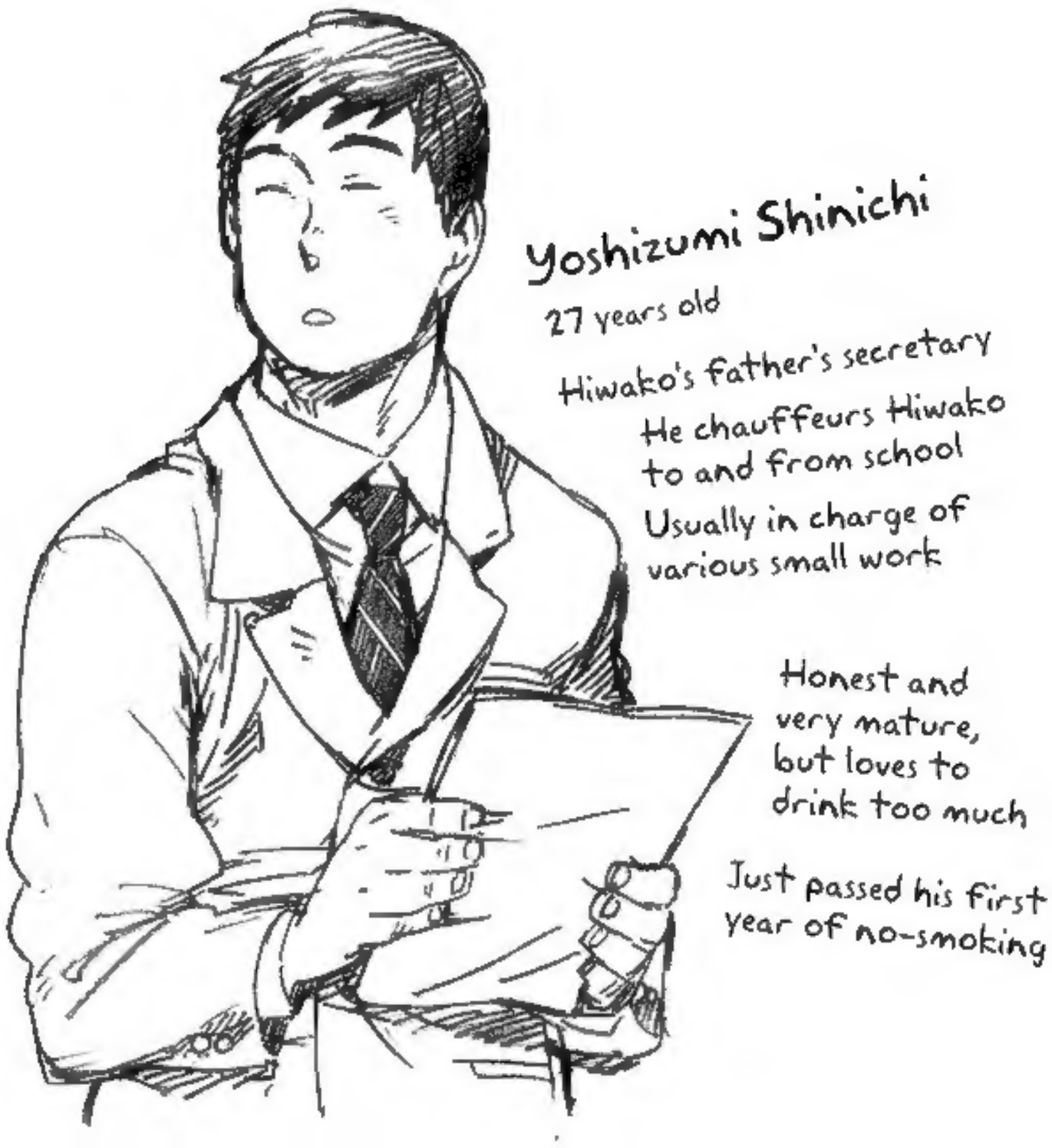
HARU'S CONFUSED

WHAT'S GOING ON?


Yoshizumi Shinichi
27 years old
Hiwako's father's secretary
He chauffeurs Hiwako to and from school
Usually in charge of various small work
Honest and very nature, but loves to drink too much
Just passed his first year of no-smoking